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FOR DISCUSSION PURPOSES

Sir:

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR §1.116

In response to the Office Action dated June 18, 2002, please amend the aboveidentified application as set forth below.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 12 without prejudice.

Kindly amend the claims to read as follows:

- 1. A soluble film preparation for oral administration comprising a drug, an edible polymer and a monosaccharide or a oligosaccharide, wherein film is obtained by spreading and drying and has an elution rate of more than about 50% per 10 minutes and wherein the drug is a compound enhanced in internal absorption by forming a solid solution with the edible polymer.
- 4. The soluble film preparation according to claim 1, in which the compound is at least one of nilvadipine, nifedipine, phenytoin, chloramphenicol, griseofulvin, or sulfamethizole.